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In re Patent Application of:)	Group Art Unit: 2625
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	DEFECTIVE PIXEL SPECIFYING)	
	METHOD, DEFECTIVE PIXEL)	
	SPECIFYING SYSTEM, IMAGE)	
	CORRECTING METHOD, AND)	
	IMAGE CORRECTING SYSTEM)	

<u>RESPONSE</u>

Honorable Commissioner of Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed January 3, 2005, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicant respectfully submits that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicant notes with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 26, 2002. <u>A further Information Disclosure Statement is submitted herewith and consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement is respectfully requested.</u>

Claims 1-14 are pending in the present application, of which claims 1, 2 and 5-12 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

Paragraph 2 of the Official Action rejects claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11 and 13 as anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,886,353 to Spivey et al. The Applicant respectfully